

**REMARKS**

Thorough examination of the application is sincerely appreciated.

Claims 1, 2, 4, 9, 16, 22, 24 and 27-29 were objected to because of various informalities. To conclude the prosecution of the application and without conceding any statements or waiving any arguments in the Office Action, those claims are amended to correct the informalities, as noted in the Office Action.

It is believed that all formal matters have been addressed per Quayle action. Since the prosecution on the merits is closed, the case is ready to be passed to allowance, and an early notice thereof is earnestly solicited.

An earnest effort has been made to be fully responsive to the Examiner's correspondence and advance the prosecution of this case. In view of the above amendments and remarks, it is believed that the present application is in condition for allowance, and an early notice thereof is earnestly solicited. However, if for any reason this application is not considered to be in condition for allowance, the Examiner is respectfully requested to call the undersigned attorney at the number listed below prior to issuing a further Action.

Please charge any additional fees associated with this application to Deposit Account No. 14-1270.

Respectfully submitted,

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